



RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 2681  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Mayumi TOMIKAWA, et al.

Serial No. 09/879,098

Group Art Unit: 2681

Confirmation No. 3219

Filed: June 13, 2001

Examiner: Thjuan Knowlin

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR GENERATING A DATA DISTRIBUTION ROUTE

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Attention: BOX AF

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 17, 2005, and having a period for response set to expire on February 17, 2006. A Petition for a one-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to March 17, 2006.

Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested. The following remarks are respectfully submitted.

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